

Night Post Offices in the Country

965. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of night post offices functioning in the country as on December, 1996, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government propose to open such more post offices in Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the names of places where these post offices are likely to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) The State-wise number of night post offices functioning in the country as on December, 1996 is given in the enclosed *statement*.

(b) The Government does not propose to open more night post offices in Uttar Pradesh.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

Statement

S.No.	States	No. of NPOs
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	02
2.	Assam	01
3.	Bihar	09
4.	Delhi	13
5.	Gujarat	11
6.	Haryana	02
7.	Himachal Pradesh	01
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	01
9.	Karnataka	07
10.	Kerala	06
11.	Maharashtra	17
12.	Madhya Pradesh	08
13.	North East	03
14.	Orissa	07
15.	Punjab	03
16.	Rajasthan	07
17.	Tamil Nadu	13
18.	Uttar Pradesh	16
19.	West Bengal	10
20.	Goa	Nil
21.	Meghalaya	1
22.	Manipur	1
23.	Mizoram	Nil
24.	Nagaland	Nil
25.	Tripura	1
26.	Arunachal Pradesh	Nil
27.	Sikkim	Nil

1	2	3
Union Territories		
1.	Pondicherry	1
2.	Daman & Diu	Nil
3.	Andaman & Nicobar Island	Nil
4.	Chandigarh	1
5.	Lakshadweep	Nil
Total number of NPOs in the Country 142.		

[English]

Post Office in Govindpuri, Delhi

966. SHRI THOMAS HANSDA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the residents of Govindpuri, Rampuri and other adjoining DDA flats have to face a lot of inconvenience due to absence of post office in Govindpuri;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a sub-post office of Govindpuri was closed some years back;

(d) if so, the reasons for the closure;

(e) whether the Government consider to re-open the sub-post office;

(f) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) No, Sir, a sub post office in the name of Govindpuri is already functioning in the area which is catering to the needs of Govindpuri, Rampuri and other adjoining DDA flats.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) and (d) Post Office was not closed but it had to be shifted from Govindpuri in view of non-availability of suitable accommodation.

(e) to (g) Does not arise in view of (c and d) above.

[Translation]

Telephone Subscribers in J & K

967. SHRI CHAMAN LAL GUPTA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of telephone subscribers in Jammu and Kashmir, district-wise;

(b) the progress made so far in laying lines and starting new exchanges in District Doda, Udhampur and Kathua;

(c) whether the Government propose to provide value-added services such as cellular phones and pagers in Jammu and Kashmir;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number and details of the towns and villages connected with STD facilities in the State?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) The total number of telephone subscribers in Jammu & Kashmir, district-wise as on 31.01.97 is given in statement-I enclosed.

(b) The progress made so far in laying lines and starting new exchanges in District Doda, Udhampur and Kathua is given in statement-II enclosed.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Details regarding value-added services are given below :

- (1) I-net Service is already working in Jammu & Kashmir.
- (2) Pagers : Two private operators have been given licence.
- (3) Cellular Phones : No private operator has been given licence so far.

(e) The number of towns and villages district-wise connected with STD facility in J & K State is given in statement-III enclosed.

Statement-I

Telephone subscribers District-wise in J & K Telecom Circle as on 31.01.97.

S.No.	Name of the District	No. of subscribers
1.	Anantnag	1008
2.	Badgam	208
3.	Baramulla	1656
4.	Kupwara	268
5.	Pulwama	1004
6.	Srinagar	14463
7.	Doda	1478
8.	Jammu	30467
9.	Kathua	2242
10.	Poonch	900
11.	Rajouri	1606
12.	Udhampur	4045
13.	Leh	1190
14.	Kargil	522
Grand Total		61057

Statement-II

Working connections and new exchanges opened during 1996-97.

Name of District :	Doda	Udhampur	Kathua
No. of Working connections (as on 31.1.97)	1478	4045	2242
New Exchanges opened during 1996-97	One (256P C-DOT)	Three (Two MILT-64 & One 2K C-DOT)	One (MILT-64)

Statement-III

Details of towns/villages covered with STD facilities, District-wise.

S.No.	Name of District	Towns/Villages covered with STD facilities
1.	Anantnag	Anantnag & Pahalgam
2.	Badgam	Badgam
3.	Baramulla	Baramulla, Gulmarg & Sopore.
4.	Kupwara	Kupwara
5.	Pulwama	Pulwama, Malangpora & Pampur
6.	Srinagar	Srinagar & Ganderbal
7.	Doda	Doda, Bhadarwah, Kishtawar, Batot, Ramban & Banihal
8.	Jammu	Jammu, Akhnoor, Baribrahmana, Samba, Vijaypur, Jakh, R.S. Pura, Miramsahib, Gadigarh, Bantalab, Bishnah, Sidhra, Domana, Mandal, Raipur, Satwari, Nagrota, Sangrampur & Ghomanda
9.	Kathua	Kathua, Hiranagar, Chadwal, Lakhanpur, Barwal, Nagri Parole & Bani
10.	Poonch	Poonch
11.	Rajouri	Rajouri & Budhal
12.	Udhampur	Udhampur, Kud, Patnitop, Katra, Adhkumari, Vaishnodevi, Reasi, Mantalai, Jyotipuram & Chenani
13.	Leh	Leh & Khalsi
14.	Kargil	Kargil & Drass